

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-5 (previously cancelled without prejudice)

Claims 6-20 (previously cancelled without prejudice)

Claims 21-31 are canceled herein without prejudice.

32. A method of wrapping lumber to allow passage of water vapor from the lumber comprising:

providing a lumber-wrapping material comprising a breathable film layer and a mesh layer attached to said breathable film layer; and

wrapping said lumber-wrapping material around lumber to unitize the lumber and further to allow for the passage of water vapor away from the lumber through said breathable film layer of said lumber-wrapping material such that the lumber is securely held and water within the lumber-wrapping material exits the material as water vapor.

33. The method of claim 32 wherein said breathable film layer of said lumber-wrapping material has a thickness of from about 0.0005 inches to about 0.015 inches.

34. The method of claim 32 wherein said breathable film layer of said lumber-wrapping material is comprised of a polymer material selected from a group consisting of low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene, metallocene linear low density polyethylene, and high density polyethylene, the polymer material being modified to allow water vapor permeability.

35. The method of claim 32 wherein said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material comprises mesh strands having a width of from about 0.005 inches to about 0.060 inches and a depth of from about 0.005 inches to about 0.060 inches.

36. The method of claim 32 wherein said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material is comprised of a material selected from a group consisting of low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene, metallocene linear low density polyethylene, high density polyethylene, polypropylene, and polyethylene-polypropylene copolymer.

37. The method of claim 32 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material are adhered to each other with adhesive.

38. The method of claim 32 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material are laminated together.

39. The method of claim 32 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer are joined by coextrusion.

40. A method of wrapping lumber to allow passage of water vapor from the lumber comprising:

providing a lumber-wrapping material comprising a breathable film layer and a mesh layer attached to said breathable film layer, said breathable film layer having a thickness of from about 0.0005 inches to about 0.015 inches and being comprised of a polymer material selected from a group consisting of low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene, metallocene linear low density polyethylene, and high density polyethylene, the polymer material being modified to allow water vapor permeability, said mesh layer comprising intersecting mesh strands having a width of from about 0.005 inches to about 0.060 inches and a depth of from about 0.005 inches to about 0.060 inches and being comprised of a material selected from a group consisting of low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene, metallocene linear low

density polyethylene, high density polyethylene, polypropylene, and polyethylene-polypropylene copolymer; and

wrapping said lumber-wrapping material around lumber to unitize the lumber and further to allow for the passage of water vapor away from the lumber through said breathable film layer of said lumber-wrapping material.

41. The method of claim 40 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material are adhered to each other with adhesive.

42. The method of claim 40 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer of said lumber-wrapping material are laminated together.

43. The method of claim 40 wherein said breathable film layer and said mesh layer are joined by coextrusion.